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HOIST THE SPINNAKERS

FOURTH ANNUAL REGATTA SETS SAILS ON SATURDAY

More than 60 contestants are expected to be trimming the sheets and setting the spinna-kers on Saturday and Sunday in Croatan Sound when individual sportsmen and yacht club members compete in the 4th Annual Sailing Regatta at Nags Head.

40 sailboats, ranging in class from the long, sleek, English Jolly to the Pram, will compete for trophy honors beginning at 11:50 a.m. on Saturday when the boats will jockey for position along a three mile course just north of the Manteo Airport boat ramp.

The regatta, sponsored by the Carolinian Hotel and Anchor Club at Nags Head, will bring sailing craft from a three-state area into competition. A new class of sailboat, the French 420, believed to be the fastest sailboat ever designed, is expected to give land and boat-based

spectators plenty to cheer about when the boom vang is set. Dare Boaters Assist Julian Oneto, Regatta Chairman stated that course buoys had been placed on Thursday morning by members of the Dare Power Boat Association. Arnold Tolson, Commodore of the Association has indicated that the group will provide power boats for the judges and members of the Regatta Committee during the races.

Oneto stated that the racing course will be transferred to Roanoke Sound in the event of bad weather, where the sailboats will traverse a diamond-shaped course one mile east of Baum's Point. He noted that Coast Guard patrol boats will be on hand to render aid, regardless of the weather.

The Pram Race, always a popular feature of the Regatta, will be conducted at Shallowbag Bayalong a two and one-half mile triangular course between Baum and Ballast Point.

L. C. DIRECTORS REVIEW 62 SEASON AT SATURDAY MEET

Mrs. Morrison Cited For Effort Which Made Year A Success

A report by Edgar Thomas, general manager of The Lost Colony and a standing ovation for Mrs. Fred W. Morrison highlighted the season-end meeting of the Lost Colony Board of Directors last Saturday, at Mrs. Morrison's Kill Devil Hills home.

Thomas told the board that a 14 per cent increase had been made over monies collected during the 1961 season and Mrs. Morrison was hailed as "the driving force behind a successful season," by Melvin Daniels, a member of the board.

Artistic and Financial Success The general manager told the board that the production was an artistic and financial success. After distributing copies of an attendance chart, a '62 budget a financial statement up to Sept. 6, Thomas noted that attendance showed an increase of nine per cent over 1961, with a 14 per cent increase in monies collected.

The figures represented a profit to date of \$12,973.78 with an additional anticipated income of \$1,500, he said. He indicated that an additional expenditure of \$3,000 was expected before the final accounting for the Silver Anniversary Year of the Paul Green production.

Total expenditures to date were listed at \$92,341.45, with a total income, thus far of \$105,315.

Mrs. Morrison Lauded During the meeting, Melvin Daniels rose to shower the Chairman of the Roanoke Island Historical Assn. with praise for a job well done. "The major share of credit for a successful season goes to Mrs. Morrison, for her work in Washington and throughout this state." See COLONY, Page Three

CHANNEL BASS NOW APPEARING ON DARE COAST

Heavy Run Predicted During Fall; Other Fishing Good

By AYCOCK BROWN

Channel bass, the rugged copper-colored fighters of the surf began to tug the lines of fishermen on the Outer Banks this week.

A 38 pounder was caught by an unidentified angler from the ocean pier at Rodanthe a few days ago, but most of the catches have been made along the beach from Oregon Inlet southward to the Point of Beach at Hatteras Inlet.

Although catches of puppy drum—the name given young channel bass which are in the "puppy" or earlier stages of growth—were frequent, a notable exception was hooked by Bob Preston, one of the best known fishing guides on the Outer Banks.

Preston snared an 18 pounder from the surf on Monday while leading parties on fishing expeditions along the coast.

Blues and Whiting Blues and whiting have also

ALL VOTERS MUST REGISTER IN OCT. CHAIRMAN STATES

Old Registration Books To Be Wiped Clean Next Month For Nov. Vote

The first new voter registration for Dare County in over 20 years will be conducted in October, and Jack Tillet, Dare Elections Board Chairman, says everyone must register who wants to vote in the November elections.

Tillet emphasized that every voter in the county must register, regardless of how many times he or she may have voted before.

The Election Board Chairman said the "purge" of old registration books was recommended after a conference with Raymond Maxwell, executive secretary of the State Board of Elections.

"Maxwell suggested that we conduct a new registration as soon as possible," Tillet said. Tillet indicated that quite a few duplications and errors were known to exist in the old registration books which now list 4,100 persons.

Tillet said the new registration is expected to list "considerably less than 4,100 voters." "We feel sure that there are a number of dead persons listed on the books and any number of people who have doubtless moved out of the county," he added.

Mashoes Excluded The new registration, which will wipe previous books clean, will cover every precinct in the county except Mashoes. Tillet noted that there were only 11 voters in the Mashoes Precinct. "We felt that the expense of a new registration in the Mashoes Precinct would be prohibitive," he added.

ABUNDANT SUPPLY KEEPS THIS SCENE PERPETUATED



FROM A HUMBLE BEGINNING three decades ago, the business of sport fishing along the coast has grown into a large-scale summertime industry, employing or aiding the support of hundreds of families. The scene above may be witnessed dozens of times daily during the season, as anglers search for fighting species in waters near the Gulf Stream.

IMPROVING EACH YEAR— SPORT FISHING HAS GROWN INTO BIG COASTAL INDUSTRY

By TOM JACKSON With one shout, "Marlin there," the sluggish group on the little boat was exploded into activity: The captain dropped as nimbly as a squirrel from the flying bridge and scurried toward a rod whipping in its holder; the mate, who had already dash for the rod too when he heard the line sizzling off the reel; the fishermen, six of them, seemed to increase in number as they stumbled and fell across the tossing deck, colliding with each other, grabbing for hand-holds that weren't there, trying to get a time to get into the fighting chairs while still holding the cool drinks and sandwiches they had been eating for lunch.

The boat, a sport fisherman, broad and with clean lines, had left the inlet hours earlier and churned its way across the choppy Atlantic waters to the Gulf Stream. Behind lay the Outer Banks of North Carolina, and docks for a sport fishing fleet that had access to some of the best fishing waters in the world.

Many years of work, financial investment and both good and bad luck lie behind this scene, this boat, and the reputation of these fishing grounds. Sport fishing from the Outer Banks originated sometime in the late 1920's and has developed far since that time.

In the early days sport fishing began as a summer fill in activity for the several hunt clubs, owned mostly by out-of-town people, along the Banks. Those were the days when the game was plentiful and the regulations sparse. Wealthy hunters owning hunt clubs along the banks annually made game kills which would startle the present day sportsman. It was a time when the Outer Banks natives hunted as well as fished commercially. Yet in the summer months even the rich hunting grounds of the Outer Banks failed to provide enough activity to pacify those with enough money and too much time. When commercial fishermen along the Banks (no one seems to be really sure who first conceived the idea) discovered these winter hunters could also be amused by catching fish they converted their inter commercial fishing boats into summer sport fishing boats to increase their income. The venture was a successful one which has even today not reached its peak.

The early "sport" fishing boats then were mostly small open shad boats or work and hunting boats with an occasional cabin cruiser thrown in. None of them were equipped for sport fishing and many had a piece of gold plugged into the keel by their Roanoke Island builders for good luck. Often the sport fisherman sat on an empty fish box and fished as often with a hand line as he did with rod and reel. Equipment, as we know it today, was scarce or non-existent. Artificial lures were practically impossible to find and rod and reel outfits were expensive, primitive, and hard to get. Cut bait was almost always used and the "game" fish were channel bass, trout and croakers.

The pioneers of sports fishing on the Outer Banks were native commercial fishermen. Some tried the new venture for one season and stopped, others carried parties off and on for several years, and some stayed with it and are still taking parties. See SPORT, Page Three

APPROVAL GIVEN FOR WATER LOAN BY N. H. BOARD

Assuming Taxpayers Vote For, System May Be Ready By Next Summer

The Nags Head Town Board gave a nod of approval to the \$945,000 loan application by William Freeman, Inc. of High Point on Monday for funds to finance a central water system for the resort community.

Members of the town board met with town attorney Martin Kellogg and C. C. Tilley, supervising engineer for Freeman, Inc. to assure that no undue burden will be worked upon taxpayers by an anticipated bond issue for the water system.

Mayor Julian Oneto noted that the board has forwarded the loan application to the Community Facilities Administration, a division of the House and Home Finance Agency, in Atlanta.

The Nags Head mayor indicated that the board could not anticipate how long CFA approval might take. "We hope to hear from them within 30 days, but there is actually no way of telling; it takes time," he said.

System Next Summer An approval by CFA would pave the way for a water system which Nags Head Town Board officials hope would be in operation by next summer. Town board members Lionel Edwards, Tom McKimney, Jim Scarborough and Oneto were all present for the two-hour meeting on Monday at the Nags Head Town Hall.

A previous application by Nags Head for a federal loan was turned down because other projects, not related to the water plant, had been included in the loan request.

Board members expressed their belief on Monday that the current application would be approved.

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SAYS W. VA. OFFICIAL

AIR FORCE RANGE WOULD THREATEN N. C. ECONOMY

More than 20 political chiefs and newsmen received dramatic evidence that a bombing range at either the Lake Mattamuskeet or Lake Phelps sites would have a serious effect on the state's economy on Wednesday when West Va. Pulp and Paper Co. played host to visiting members of the press with movies and lectures showing possible damage to timberland by Air Force operations.

A. T. Brust, public relations manager for West Virginia told the group in a meeting held at The Carolinian on Wednesday that "it is conceivable that fire, by burning us out, would seriously curtail our activities and consequently have an adverse effect on the economy of this state."

"We do not want to impede our country's defense efforts," he said, "but we believe that our timberland activities are of great importance to the state and that a bombing range can be located at some other site where the potential danger and economic loss is not so great."

140,000 Acres Destroyed W. J. Crumacker, manager of North Carolina woodlands for the paper company, acted as host for the journalists and presented a film Wednesday morning which reinforced Brust's remarks. The film showed drainage systems, tree reproduction, the after-effects of fire, a water drop from an airplane, logging operations, road and canal building, the contrast between mangled and unimproved areas and the loss of game habitat as the result of fires.

Brust noted that 140,000 acres of West Va. land had been destroyed by forest fires since 1962. "This has meant a considerable loss not only in money but in time and effort involved in converting unproductive, often marsh, timberland to a well-managed, productive area that will contribute immeasurably more to the state's economy than it has already."

"We are opposed to Air Force acquisition of land in this area... our principal concern is forest fire," he said. Brust emphasized that since the company had invested several millions of dollars in managing what once was unproductive forest land. "We also have added, directly and indirectly, several millions of dollars to the economy of the area, particularly

AIR FORCE BLASTED BY ANTI-RANGE SUPPORTERS WORRIED ABOUT WILDLIFE

Governor's Committee Told Birds and Bombs Don't Mix, By Wildlife Service Official; Congressman Bonner Says Area Has Contributed Enough To Nation's Defense at Hearing on Air Force Attempts to Locate on Coast.

By LAWRENCE MADDRY

A concerned group of state legislators and a Tar Heel congressman dropped a number of verbal bomb shells on Air Force attempts to locate a bombing range at Lake Mattamuskeet or Lake Phelps on Monday, at a public hearing in Belhaven.

Led by W. T. Davis of Atlanta, Ga., regional supervisor for the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the bomb range opponents asserted that serious loss of waterfowl was apt to occur with bombing operations in the Hyde-Tyrrell area.

Davis told the governor's committee, appointed to investigate the controversy, that waterfowl populations have decreased in all North Carolina counties where bombing ranges are located.

Davis was one of 40 persons who spoke against the Air Force proposal at the hearing at John A. Wilkinson Auditorium.

Currituck Cited Davis cited Currituck County as an example of waterfowl decimation. He said the county had a gamebird population of 180,000 in 1962, but that the presence of a bombing range dropped this total to 100,000 in 1962.

In Hyde County, where the Air Force desires to locate a range near the Lake Mattamuskeet Wildlife Refuge, the waterfowl population increased from

112,000 to 135,000 in 10 years, he said.

Contributed Enough Rep. Herbert Bonner, who has led the fight against the bombing range in his 1st District, which includes Hyde and Tyrrell Counties, told Chester Davis, Winston-Salem newsman and chairman of the Governor's Committee, that "We feel we have contributed enough to the nation's defense by permitting the other bombing ranges in this district."

Stanford White of Manns Harbor a former game protector lashed away at attempts to locate the bombing range nearby while pointing out the threat to the areas economy by such a move. "When you drive away our waterfowl," he said, "you threaten our economy. A hunter is a tourist and he won't come if there are no birds to shoot at."

No Lack of Patriotism Melvin Daniels of Wanchese, member of the Southern Albatross Assn., told the group of Air Force representatives present that efforts to prevent the location of a range in the area did not stem from a lack of patriotism.

"There is not a person here," he said, "who wouldn't sell his house and property... and gladly give it up to preserve our liberty and way of life." "It just seems to me that Air Force officials have overlooked the fact that there is a wide area of this country, from Maine to Florida, that could be used for a bombing range... without destroying wildlife."

Thomas Litchfield of Washington, N. C. was perhaps, the only supporter of the range who spoke on Monday. He asked, "Are there not grounds for a compromise so that the various branches of the armed forces can use existing ranges outside hunting seasons." Litchfield, reportedly a land speculator, was one of six range supporters present at the meeting.

West Va. Co. Objects W. J. Crumacker, manager of West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co's N. C. timberlands told the committee that David Luke, president of the company, had notified Gov. Terry Sanford that the range would jeopardize his company's plans to develop the area. Turner Battle of Rocky Mount, executive director of the State Wildlife Federation, told the committee he has information that the Air Force now is looking favorably at another site near in this area.

"I am not at liberty to say where it is," he said, "but it will be disclosed shortly," he said. Battle also suggested that the Federal Aviation Agency bend its airways to make other sites available.

No Waterfowl Jeopardy Chester Davis, chairman, told the group that the matter is one of national interest. "We know you are concerned," he said, "but we have talked with the Air Force and we know they have investigated 13 sites in North and South Carolina. They need a bombing range and their men are not being adequately trained now. But we will not hurry this decision, and I can assure you that whatever answer we find will not jeopardize waterfowl." Davis indicated that his committee will meet in Rocky Mount on Sept. 17 and that it may make its recommendations to the Governor then. State Sen. P. D. Midgett, an outspoken critic of Air Force attempts to locate in the Hyde County area, acted as moderator at the meeting.

JOINTLY-SPONSORED REVIVAL IN MANTEO

The second annual revival sponsored by the Dare Ministerial Association will be held September 26-30 at Mount Olivet Methodist Church in Manteo. Each night a different minister of the association will preach, and a different choir will render special music nightly. The public is cordially invited to the services which will begin at 7:30 each evening.

REDSKIN STALWARTS PREPARE FOR BATH GAME



TWO REDSKIN VETERANS, center Tommy Toler and blocking back Benny O'Neal are shown running through signals in preparation for the football opener with Bath High School on Friday night. Manteo coach Jerry Cahoon, noting that the Bath squad won their first contest with a 20-6 victory over Vanceboro, has observed that the Manteo Club must be honed to "razor sharpness" to carve a victory in the conference game at Manteo Ball Park which begins at 8 p.m. (Photo By Maddry)

FOOTBALL BEGINS FOR MANTEO H. S. ON FRIDAY NIGHT

An untested but determined squad of 38 players will take to the Ball Park gridiron for Manteo High School this Friday night at 8 p.m. for the season's opener with Bath High in a game as unpredictable as September weather.

Cahoon and Asst. Coach Steve Basnight have both been tight-lipped about the Redskins chances of victory in their first pigskin effort of the season. "The club is unpredictable," they say. The two coaches, both pleased to see FOOTBALL, Page Four

OCTOBER 5-6 HATTERAS MARLIN CLUB SPONSORING TOURNEY

HATTERAS. — Twenty five or more anglers are expected to compete in the Autumn 1962, club tournament sponsored by Hatteras Marlin Club here October 5 and 6, it was announced today by Earl Phillips, president.

Unlike the big international tournament which was presented for its third year in June, the club tourney, open to members of the Hatteras Marlin Club, will not be limited to blue marlin. Trophies will be presented, according to announcement by Phillips, for the following catches: Largest billfish; largest of any wahoo, dolphin, channel bass, cobia, tuna, cobia or tarpon; largest game fish of any species in relation to line classification; largest shark boated and weighed at Hatteras Marlin Club dock; and, also a trophy for the angler having the hardest luck of any fish hooked in the tournament.

"Actually," said Phillips, "this will be a fishing fun tournament."

The classic will be open to club members, their families and their invited guests. Several non-resident boats are expected.

The Marlin Club's tournament is the first of three scheduled for the Dare Coast-Outer Banks this Fall. On October 18-20, the 12th annual surf fishing tournament will be held at Nags Head; and, on November 1-3, the fifth annual Cape Hatteras Anglers' Club tournament will be held on Hatteras Island. Teams from more than 60 clubs, will participate in the two surf classics.

CHANNEL IMPROVEMENT RECOMMENDED TO HOUSE FOR HATTERAS DREDGING

A \$668,000 project to improve navigation channels at and near Hatteras was recommended by Army Engineers to a House public works subcommittee on Tuesday. The suggestion included a proposed deepening of Rollinson Channel from 6 to 12 feet and a similar deepening of the Hatteras harbor, with a 10 foot channel extending from Hatteras Inlet gorge to Hatteras. Federal funds would cover \$652,000 of the project if the Congress approves. \$16,000 would be paid out of state funds. The recommendation was submitted to a subcommittee headed by Rep. John Blatnik, D-Minn. The subcommittee is investigating navigation projects which might be included in a water projects authorization bill.